

## Citizens' Checklist Developed by the Indiana State Board of Education

Monetary Adjustments			School Board		School Administration		Teachers Association		Comments	Savings
1.		Conduct an analysis of the alignment of spending with actual learning:	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
	A.	Undertake a district or school analysis of where funds are spent and whether they align to student learning.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
	В.	Identify the source of barriers that deter effective alignment of resources to learning.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		Agree Disagree		Agree Disagree			
	C.	Identify steps to take to eliminate or reduce those barriers.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
2.		Freeze, reduce or rollback the present salary and benefits of all employees.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
3.		Freeze the salary and benefits of all certified staff at present levels and suspend incremental salary increases.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
4.		Require all corporations to review and compare their health plan to the state plan for cost effectiveness, level of coverage, appropriate deductibles or adjusting benefits to their current plan.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
5.		Eliminate corporation matches to 403(b), 401(a) and 457(b) plans for all employees.	Agree Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
6.		Suspend hiring except those positions that are neutral to the general fund or that hire additional teachers.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		Agree Disagree		Agree Disagree			
7.		Expand the use of the Rainy Day Fund.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree			
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1.	Reduce or roll back operational and programmatical budgets to previous year levels.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
2.	Offer no summer school opportunities that are not fully reimbursable from the state level or do not pay for themselves with reimbursements from vocational dollars. Enable shift of dollars from administrative use to targeted summer school or other remedial use.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
3.	Focus the corporation curriculum on the core subjects, narrowing elective offerings within core subjects. Corporations should utilize flexibility granted to them by the State Board of Education to find creative ways to reconfigure curriculum and define priorities.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
4.	Extra Curricular Offerings					
	Reduce the number of sports, clubs, and academic teams offered by the corporation or use participation fees or sponsorships to pay for them.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
В	Eliminate activities outside the varsity level competition played on non-school days, including all weekends to save energy cost and supervision personnel.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
С	Consider charging all non-school groups to contribute to incremental costs of operating the facility.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
5.	Examine and reduce all fringe benefit packages of school board members and administration, including health, life, dental, vision, etc.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
6.	Eliminate benefit packages of department chairs, lead teachers and other teaching personnel that provide financial incentives or time away from the classroom setting, such as extra preparation time.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		

7.	Eliminate payment from the general fund to professional organizations and reduce travel and conference expenses.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
	justments That Reduce the Cost of Staff thout Affecting Instruction	School Board	School Administration	Teachers Association	Comments	Savings
1.	Encourage reconfiguration of buildings within a corporation that reduces administrative, operational and support staff costs.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
	A. Sell or lease surplus properties	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
	<b>B.</b> Examine corporation grade level delivery system.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
2.	Increase class size numbers that reduce teaching staff in classes where educational outcomes will not be negatively impacted.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
3.	Eliminate delivery systems that increase the cost of academic education by more staff such as block schedules or trimesters.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
4.	Eliminate or reduce the use of staff that does not directly connect to instruction.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
5.	Outsource transportation, cafeteria, janitorial and other ancillary services.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
6.		☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
7.	Offer free financial planning services for employees eligible for retirement.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		
Con	mmunity Reporting and Accountability	School Board	School Administration	Teachers Association	Comments	Savings
1.	Provide the general public and local media outlets with regular reports that review the considerations and actions of the school corporation community as they implement strategies to reduce spending.	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree	☐ Agree ☐ Disagree		